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SUBSCRIPTIONS, THREE DOLLARS PER ANNUM.—NO PAPER  
WILL BE SENT WITHOUT AT LEAST 25 CENTS IS PAID IN  
ADVANCE, AND NO PAPER DISCONTINUED, UNLESS AT THE OP-  
TION OF THE EDITOR, UNLESS ALL ARREARS ARE PAID.—  
ADVERTISEMENTS NOT RECEIVED TWELVE TIMES INSERT-  
ED FREE OF CHARGE FOR ONE DOLLAR, AND TWENTY-FIVE CENTS  
PER LINE CONTINUANCE.

**Leghorn Hats just received,**  
**MRS. RABOTEAU,** informs her custo-  
mers generally and the ladies of Raleigh,  
and its vicinity that she has just received 1 box Leg-  
horn Hats of a superior quality, also rich fancy Ribbons,  
Artificial Flowers and almost every article in the Mill-  
inery and Fancy line, likewise at the same place a fresh  
supply of reasonable staple goods as usual.  
Raleigh, June 18th, 1819.

**STILLS.**  
BOND has just received an invoice of Stills from  
S. New York, which he will sell low for cash. They  
are from 7 to 78 gallons.  
Raleigh, June 29, 1819.

**Ten Dollars Reward,**  
WILL be paid to any person that will take up and con-  
fine in any jail in this State, a negro man named A.  
BROWN who ran away from me about six weeks ago. He is of  
a very dark complexion, rather small in size, of a still quin-  
tured, by trade a Waggon and Stage-Maker, & is handy at  
any thing he goes about. I have heard of his being in Ra-  
leigh since he ran away, and may probably keep to Warren-  
ton, where he lived before I bought him.  
JAMES BIGGS.  
Fayetteville, July 14, 1819.

**Cape-Fear Navigation Company.**  
THE Stockholders in this company are notified that under  
an order of the President and Directors, a seventh Instal-  
ment of ten dollars on each and every share of the original  
subscription and a third instalment of ten dollars on each  
share of the subscription of December 1818, is required to be  
paid to the Treasurer in Fayetteville on or before the 9th  
of August next.  
JOHN CLARK, Pres't.  
Fayetteville, July 5, 1819.

**For Sale,**  
FIFTY SHARES of Newbern Bank-Stock. For terms,  
see enquire of the  
May 15, 1819. EDITOR. 20-1f

**NOTICE.**  
ALL those indebted to the subscriber, are requested  
to come forward and make immediate payment, as  
no longer indulgence will be given.  
J. H. LANE.

**Wanted,**  
TWO Journeymen to the Stage or Waggon-making busi-  
ness, who can (by being recommended as sober and industri-  
ous) meet with liberal wages and constant employment.  
H. C. WIATT & Co.  
Raleigh, April 7, 1819. 15-1f

**For Sale,**  
BETWEEN seven and eight hundred acres of land hand-  
somely situated, within two miles of the University of  
North-Carolina, on Preswood and Lick Creeks. A good  
portion of this land is excellent low grounds. The whole  
tract is well adapted to the culture of corn, wheat, tobacco  
or cotton. This tract of land could be divided for the accom-  
modation of purchasers, as it contains two plantations, which  
are in good repair for farming, a dwelling house and all ne-  
cessary out-houses, a cotton machine and whiskey distillery.—  
As it is presumed the purchaser would wish to view the pre-  
mises, those inclined to purchase are respectfully invited to  
call and see me. A great bargain may be had by an early  
application.  
JARRATT YEARGIN.  
February 24, 1819. 9-1f

**Ice-Creams,**  
CAN be had at the house of the subscriber,  
on Monday, the 17th inst. and every day  
following, from ten o'clock in the morning, un-  
til ten in the Evening. Also, Ice by the bushel  
or pound.  
SUSANNA SCHAUB.  
Raleigh, May 13, 1819. 20-1f

**Hillsborough Academy.**  
AS the preparatory school at the University of this state,  
has at the late examination wholly ceased, in conse-  
quence of the declension of the Rev. Abner W. Clapton, to  
continue any longer in the business of that school. The Fac-  
ulty have entered into an understanding with the Reverend  
John Witherspoon, superintendent of the Hillsborough Aca-  
demy, and with Mr. Rogers its principal teacher, in con-  
sequence with its Trustees, in consequence of which this Aca-  
demy will be hereafter considered as a Preparatory school to  
the University. In pursuance of this arrangement after the  
public examination of the University was completed, the Fac-  
ulty proceeded to Hillsborough to attend the annual exami-  
nation of the Academy, agreeably to previous appointment.  
The examination began on the 14th of June, and was finish-  
ed on the following day.  
The number of students in the Academy at this time is  
fifty-four.  
The public examinations of the Hillsborough Academy,  
will hereafter be conducted in the presence of the faculty of  
the University as being under their immediate care, jointly  
with the Rev. Mr. Witherspoon. Their sessions will close,  
and their examinations will take place contemporaneously.—  
The plan of education is precisely the same; that of the Aca-  
demy being modelled by the Faculty, expressly to qualify its  
students for the classes of the University. As the faculty  
will be present at the successive examinations of a student  
in this Academy, and participate in the formation of the re-  
ports, such youth as pass regular and approved examinations  
on the course of studies here, will not be called to renewed  
examinations on the same subjects when they wish to enter  
the University; but will be admitted into the classes for  
which they shall appear to be qualified by the examinations  
of the Academy. The youth who shall be placed at Hillsbo-  
rough to commence their education, will not only enjoy  
these advantages, but the benefits of a healthy situation; of  
an enlightened and polished society; of boarding in good fami-  
lies upon the most moderate terms; and of being called  
to a regular attendance on religious instruction and public  
worship.  
The Faculty in their visit at this time, have had much sa-  
tisfaction in witnessing the order, and correctness both in  
scholarship and manners, to which this school has been for-  
warded by its present managers. Its Trustees have given evi-  
dence of practical wisdom, in their appointments to the offi-  
ces of the school, and in the trust which they have after-  
wards reposed in unembarrassed and sound discretion of  
those to whom the business of the Academy has been com-  
mitted.  
JOSEPH CALDWELL.  
June 20, 1819. 26-8w  
N. B. The exercises at this institution will be resumed  
on the first Monday in July.

**100 Dollars Reward.**  
WILL be given for the apprehension and delivery of  
WILLIAM JOHNSON, who broke from the jail of  
Pulaski, Geo. on the night of the 3d inst. Said Johnson is  
about six feet high, large stature, black hair and black eyes,  
complexion fair from long confinement.  
AARON B. PUCKETT, Deputy Sheriff.

**Sheriff's Sale.**  
ON Wednesday the 11th day of August  
next, at the Court-House in Rockford,  
Surry county, the following tracts of LAND  
will be sold, or as much thereof as will pay the  
taxes due thereon, for the year 1817, with costs:  
viz:  
300 acres given in by John Chessor, adjoining  
Reuben Bryan.  
100 acres given in by James Morgan, adjoining  
Thomas Mahaffie.  
150 acres given in by William Sparks, adjoining  
Stephen Johnson.  
50 acres given in by Mary Gentry, adjoining  
desp. creek waters.  
150 acres given in by Stephen Fitzgerald, adjoining  
George D. Halcumb.  
100 acres given in by Polly Griffin, adjoining  
Jeremiah Early.  
100 acres given in by John Holder, adjoining  
James McCraw.  
100 acres given in by Willis Holder, adjoining  
James McCraw.  
50 acres given in by John Vanderpool, adjoining  
Josiah Vanderpool.  
300 acres given in by Bailey Corder, adjoining  
Rachel Morton.  
100 acres given in by Abram Hawks, adjoining  
Hail Snow.  
154 acres given in by Richard Beason, adjoining  
Akillis Key.  
82 acres given in by George Ball, adjoining  
Samuel Speer.  
160 acres given in by widow Preston, adjoining  
Samuel Johnson.  
1500 acres given in by James L. Crawford, adjoining  
Isaac Wooten.  
16,000 acres given in by Jesse Lester's heirs,  
adjoining Joseph Williams jr.  
640 acres given in by Jesse Lester's heirs, ad-  
joining Jonathan Dalton.  
100 acres given in by Jesse Lester's heirs,  
adjoining Burgess Williams.  
JOHN WRIGHT, Sheriff.  
June 7.



**WINDSOR CHAIR MANUFACTORY.**  
THE Subscriber informs the Citizens of Raleigh and its  
vicinity that he shall continue to carry on the above busi-  
ness, during his stay in this place. Those wishing to supply  
themselves with the above, will do well to call at his shop,  
a few doors east of the Market-House at the sign of Figure  
Hope, as I am determined to sell low for cash or country pro-  
duce. I also will turn columns for porches or porches in the  
neatest and most approved style at a short notice.—A sample  
of my work may be seen in Dr. Burgess's new porches, and  
at my shop at this time.  
JOEL BROWN.  
June 24, 1819. 26-1f

**HACK,** pair of horses and a careful Driver for hire  
Also, a Gunboat and single horse.  
Enquire of  
WILLIAM SHAW.

**Notice.**  
THE subscriber has received his supply of Spring Goods.  
His assortment is very general, consisting of staple and  
fancy articles, tools and materials suitable for the different  
mechanical professions, a neat assortment of Ladies', Genti-  
men's and Children's Shoes and Bonnets, and most kinds of  
Groceries, (spices excepted) & bar iron. He wishes to sell  
his goods for cash, or on credit to his punctual friends, as  
cheap as any of his neighbors, and will be thankful for en-  
couragement.  
WILLIAM PECK.  
Raleigh, May 14, 1819. 20-3m  
P. S. Those in arrears are respectfully informed that with-  
out collections my business must be very seriously affected.  
W. P.

**A Hint!**  
THE Gentleman who took from Mr. Combs's shop the 1st  
Volume of the Preceptor, will oblige me by returning  
it. But if he is determined to save me the expense of ha-  
ving the book bound, as I intended, let him call and take the  
other Volume, as they are valuable books and nearly out of  
print, it is a pity they should be broken. I also wish to  
remined those who have borrowed books of me and forgot-  
ten to return them, that it would be well to do so now, whe-  
ther whole sets, or odd volumes, they will please send them  
to the store immediately lest they again forget.  
ROBT. PARSELEY.  
June 21, 1819. 26-1f

**Stop the Villains.**  
ESCAPED from the Jail in Tarborough on the night  
of the seventh instant, William B. Crawford, a no-  
torious counterfeiter, between sixty and seventy years  
of age, about six feet high, his head white; also, John M.  
Windham, about thirty years of age, five feet seven or  
eight inches high, with an uncommon long face and  
chin, his fore teeth very long and prominent; this vil-  
lain was imprisoned at the last term of the Superior  
Court of Edgecombe to eighteen months imprisonment,  
for stealing free negroes of colour: also Elias Owens,  
about fifty years of age, who was in Jail for debt, and  
the principal instrument in breaking the Jail. I will  
give one hundred dollars reward for their apprehen-  
sion and delivery in this place, or a proper portion for  
either of them.  
BENJAMIN HART, Jailor.  
29-8w.

**Sheriff's Sale.**  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the first Saturday in Au-  
gust next, at the Court-House in Apbeville N. C. in  
the County of Sumner, I shall expose to sale the following  
tracts of land, or so much thereof as will satisfy the public  
county and poor taxes due thereon for the year 1818, 17, 18.  
150 Acres given in by John Pender, supposed to lie on the  
waters of Newfound on Dick's Creek.  
190 Acres supposed to belong to Robert Hally, lying on  
the stream of Dick's Creek.  
500 Acres, given in by Henry Wood, lying on Dick's Creek  
in three tracts.  
394 Acres given in by Jeremiah Davies, local situation un-  
known.  
50 Acres given in by David Gunter, supposed to lie on the  
waters of Turkey or Sandy Mash Creek.  
25 Acres given in by Malachi Reeves, supposed to lie on  
Sandy Mash.  
50 Acres given in by William James, lying on the East of  
Spring Creek.  
100 Acres given in by Senty Hampton, supposed to lie on  
Sandy Mash Creek.  
450 Acres given in by John Wilson, lying on the waters of  
Sandy Mash or Turkey Creek.  
65 Acres not given in, the property of William Murray.—  
Taxes due on this tract for 1818 only.  
200 Acres given in by Abram Davis.—Taxes due for 1818  
only.  
100 Acres given in by William Tatam, local situation un-  
known—supposed to lie on Spring Creek.  
If any person has paid taxes on any of the above advertised  
lands, for which they are to be sold, an exhibition of legal  
proof will save the Lands from being sold. It is far from my  
wish to injure any person unjustly.  
28-4t LEBEL H. McCLURE, D. S.

**Raleigh and Plymouth line of  
Stages.**

THIS line of Stages was established last fall, with the  
view of connecting the main southern with the eastern  
line—thereby opening a communication North and South, by  
way of Norfolk—a thing long desired. And the experiment  
has abundantly proved, that this route is capable of affording  
all the advantages which its warm friends expected.  
The Proprietors have enlarged their plan, and will in  
future run four-hour stages, and in a style suited to im-  
portance of the route. They are determined to spare neither ex-  
pense nor trouble to render this line commodious to travel-  
lers.  
The Stage runs through from Raleigh to Plymouth in two  
days, resting the first night at Tarborough, and arriving at  
Plymouth in the afternoon of the second day, in time to take  
the Steam boat and reach Edenton that evening. The Eden-  
ton Stage sets out the next morning and arrives at Norfolk in  
the evening. Thus in three days, by easy travelling, and the  
nights allowed for sleep and rest, the stage performs the route  
from Raleigh to Norfolk—and one day more takes the pas-  
senger to Baltimore.  
This line is run, each way three times a week. The road  
is one of the best in our country—and the accommodations  
are very good.  
The lines from Fayetteville to Raleigh and from Edenton  
to Norfolk, are kept in excellent order and superior style.—  
An agreeable passage is therefore open from this State and  
the States south of this, to the northern and eastern States—  
whereby a gain may be made from this, in comfort and ease, take  
his accustomed rest, and arrive at Baltimore sooner than he  
can by the upper route of stages.  
If good Stages, horses and drivers, with an obliging atten-  
tion to travellers—if an excellent road and good fare with  
the privilege of resting at nights—if convenience and dis-  
patch are calculated to recommend a line of stages to the pub-  
lic, then is this entitled to public patronage. And that pa-  
tronage is solicited by  
THE MANAGERS.  
Raleigh, June 30, 1819. 20-4f  
The Editors of the Nat. Intelligencer, Baltimore Patriot,  
the Daily Herald, Charleston Times, Savannah Republican,  
Augusta Advertiser, and Col. Telescope, will publish the at-  
bove for one month in their respective papers, and forward  
their accounts to John J. S. Kiffin, Treasurer for the Ma-  
nagers.

**Catawba Navigation.**  
A general meeting of the stockholders of the Catawba  
Navigation Company, in Lincolnton on the 18th June,  
the following persons were appointed:  
Thomas Polk, President,  
William Davidson, }  
Robert Johnston, } MANAGERS.  
Daniel Hoke, }  
Isaac T. Avery, }  
M. Beard, }  
L. H. ALEXANDER, Sec.  
July 1, 1819. 28-  
A VERY handsome assortment of FRESH MEDICINES,  
together with an elegant collection of Shop Furniture,  
may be purchased on good terms by applying to  
Waynesborough, July 1, 1819. 28-3w  
N. B. Two or three sets of surgical instruments can be had  
at the same time.

**For Sale.**  
THE subscriber wishes to sell his improved lots in  
Oxford—They are situated on one of the principal  
streets in the handsomest part of the town, convenient  
to the best spring and contain a fraction less than two  
acres. The improvements consist of a handsome dwell-  
ing house of two stories high, 18 by 34 feet in width, a  
good cellar the full size of the house, a single storied  
house 16 by 30 feet, a kitchen 18 by 20, smoke house 10  
by 12, a good framed granary, stable & carriage house.  
The healthfulness of the place and the deserved cele-  
brity which the Academies established in Oxford have  
acquired, render this a very desirable situation for any  
person who may wish to board and educate their chil-  
dren. I am willing to give the purchaser a good bar-  
gain in this property.  
WILLIAM BUTLER.  
July 9, 1819. 28-pd88

**Geographical.**  
FROM THE TRANSACTIONS,  
OF THE  
American Philosophical Society.  
On the Population and Tumuli of the Aborig-  
ines of North America.—In a letter from H.  
M. Brackenridge, Esq. to Thomas Jefferson.  
Re. d, Oct. 1, 1818.  
Baton Rouge, July 25, 1813.  
SIR—From a knowledge that research into  
the history of the primitive inhabitants of Ame-  
rica, is one of your favorite amusements, I take  
the liberty of making this communication. My  
attention to the subject, was first awakened on  
reading, when a boy, the observations contain-  
ed in the "Notes on Virginia," and it has be-  
come, with me, a favorite theme of speculation.  
I often visited the mound, and other remains  
of Indian antiquity in the neighborhood of Pitts-  
burgh, my native town, attracted by a pleasing  
interest, of which I scarcely knew the cause,  
and afterwards read, and heard with delight,

whatever related to these monuments, of the  
first, or rather earlier, inhabitants of my native  
country. Since the year 1810 (without previ-  
ously intending it) I have visited almost every  
thing of this kind, worthy of note on the Ohio  
and Mississippi; and from examination and re-  
flection, something like hypothesis, has taken  
the place of the vague wanderings of fancy.  
The following is a sketch of the result of these  
observations.

I. Throughout, what is denominated by  
Vulsoy, the valley of the Mississippi, there ex-  
ist the traces of a consoling far beyond what  
this extensive and fertile portion of the contin-  
ent, is supposed to have possessed; greater  
perhaps, than could be supported of the present  
white inhabitants, even with the careful agri-  
culture practised in the most populous parts of  
Europe. The reason of this, is to be found in  
the peculiar manners of the inhabitants by whom  
it was formerly occupied; like those of Mexico,  
their agriculture had for its only object their  
own sustenance.—No surplus was demanded  
for commerce with foreign nations, and no part  
of the soil, susceptible of culture, was devoted  
to pasturage,—yet, extensive forests filled with  
wild animals would still remain. The aggre-  
gate population of the country might be less, but  
that of particular districts much greater. We  
must, in this way, account for the astonishing  
population of the vale of Mexico, when first  
known to the Spaniards, perhaps equal to any  
district of the same extent of climate. The  
astonishing population of Owyhee, and Otaheite,  
must be accounted for in the same way. There  
are certainly many districts on the Ohio and  
Mississippi equally favorable to a numerous po-  
pulation. When I contemplated the beauty and  
fertility of those spots, I could scarcely believe  
it possible, that they should never have sup-  
ported a numerous population: such a fact would  
form an exception to what has usually occurred,  
in every other part of the globe.

II. In the valley of the Mississippi, there are  
discovered traces of two distinct races of people,  
or periods of population, one much more ancient  
than the other. The traces of the last are the  
most numerous, but mark a population less ad-  
vanced in civilization; in fact they belong to  
the same race that existed in the country when  
the French and English effected their settle-  
ments on this part of the continent; but since  
the intercourse of these people with the whites,  
and their astonishing diminution in numbers,  
many of their customs have fallen into disuse.  
It is not more than a hundred and twenty years,  
since the character of the population which left  
the traces of the second period, underwent a  
change. The appearances of fortifications, of  
which so much has been said, and which have  
been attributed to a colony of Welch, are not  
more than the traces of palisaded towns  
or villages. The first travellers mention this  
custom of surrounding their towns with palis-  
ades; the earth was thrown up a few feet, and  
pickets placed on the top. I have seen old vol-  
umes in which they were represented in the en-  
gravings.—The Arikara and Mandan villages  
are still fortified in this way. The traces of  
these are astonishingly numerous in the west-  
ern country; I should not exaggerate if I were  
to say that five thousand might be found. Some  
of them inclose more than a hundred acres.—  
From some cause or other (and we know that  
there are enough which might suffice to effect  
it) the population had been astonishingly di-  
minished immediately before we became ac-  
quainted with them; and yet Charlevoix men-  
tions a town of the Ma-cutin tribe (at present  
incorporated with the Kickapoo) containing a  
thousand families! The barrows, or general  
receptacles of the dead, such as examined by  
yourself, may be classed with the palisaded  
towns, though they are much more numerous &  
they are, in fact, to be found in almost every  
cornfield in the western country. The tumuli  
or mounds, are often met with, where there is  
no appearance of palisaded villages or fortifi-  
cations, or of barrows.

III. The first and more ancient period, is  
marked by those extraordinary tumuli or  
mounds. I have reason to believe that their  
antiquity is very great. The oldest Indians  
have no tradition as to their authors, or the  
purposes for which they were originally intend-  
ed; yet they were formerly, I might almost say  
instinctively in the habit of using them for one  
of the purposes for which they were at first de-  
signed, to wit, as places of defence. The old  
chief Du Coin, told Mr. Rice Jones, that the  
mounds in the American bottom had been for-  
tified by the Kaaskians in their wars with the  
Iroquois. An old work by Laflitau, a Jesuit,  
which I met with a New-Orleans, contains a cu-  
rious plate in which one of these mounds, forti-  
fied by palisades on the top, & large beams ex-  
tending to the bottom, as assaulted by enemies.  
These tumuli as well as the fortifications, are  
to be found at the junction of all the considera-  
ble rivers, in the most eligible positions for  
town, and in the most extensive bodies of fer-  
tile land. Their number exceeds perhaps three  
thousand; the smallest not less than twenty  
feet in height, and one hundred in diameter at  
the base. Their great number, and the aston-  
ishing size of some of them, may be regarded as

\* See Humbolt. Vol. II. page 127.  
† These are to be seen in many old volumes in the  
present library of Congress, which contains the most  
valuable collection of Books on America to be found in  
any part of the world.